



California Regional Water Quality Control Board Los Angeles Region



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Arnold Schwarzenegger
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Mr. John Doherty
Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority
One Civic Plaza, Suite 350
Carson, CA 90745

Dear John Doherty:

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR DISCHARGE OF CONTAMINATED SOILS – ALAMEDA CORRIDOR TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY UPGRADES ALONG PACIFIC HARBOR LINE RAILROAD TRACKS, LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA (FILE NO. 88-57-015(05))

On [September 30, 2005](#) (received on [October 3, 2005](#)), you filed with this Regional Board a report of waste discharge (ROWD) to dispose of an estimated 2,000 cubic yards of non-hazardous contaminated soil. The soil to be excavated is from upgrades along the Pacific Harbor Line railroad tracks in Long Beach. The soil contamination consists of total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) and volatile organic compounds.

In addition to the analytical data submitted with the ROWD, you are required to take confirmation samples during the excavation process at a frequency of at least one sample per 200 cubic yards of soil. The samples shall be analyzed for gasoline, TPH carbon chain analysis, VOCs, and metals. All analytical data shall be included in the Waste Disposal Report as required in Section II A of the attached Monitoring and Reporting Program.

We have reviewed the analytical results provided for representative soil samples. Analytical laboratory results for the [samples tested indicate that the soils meet](#) the discharge limits in Order No. 91-93, General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharge of Non-Hazardous Contaminated Soils and Other Wastes in Los Angeles River and Santa Clara River Basins, adopted by this Regional Board on July 22, 1991 (attached).

These waste materials represented by [the data submitted with the ROWD](#), can be discharged to any Class III landfill in this region, with the concurrence of the operator. If higher levels of contamination are discovered in these materials during excavation or transportation, the materials must be taken to a legal point of disposal. Enclosed are Waste Discharge Requirements, comprising:

1. General Waste Discharge Requirements

California Environmental Protection Agency



Our mission is to preserve and enhance the quality of California's water resources for the benefit of present and future generations.

2. Monitoring and Reporting Program

Please note that the Monitoring and Reporting Program requires that a report be submitted to this Regional Board within 10 days of the completion of disposal operations. (ATTN: Information Technology Unit.) This report shall reference the above file number.

Pursuant to Section 13261 and 13265 of the California Water Code, [Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority](#) must submit the required final report **within 10 days** of the completion of disposal operations and no later than **January 19, 2005**. Failure to submit the required report may result in the imposition of civil liability penalties by the Regional Board of up to \$1,000.00 per day for each day the report is not received after the due date.

For any additional information, please call Mr. Doug Cross at (213) 620-2246, or email to dcross@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Bishop
Executive Officer

Enclosures

cc: [Pete Oda, County of Los Angeles, Department of Health Services, Solid Waste Management Department](#)